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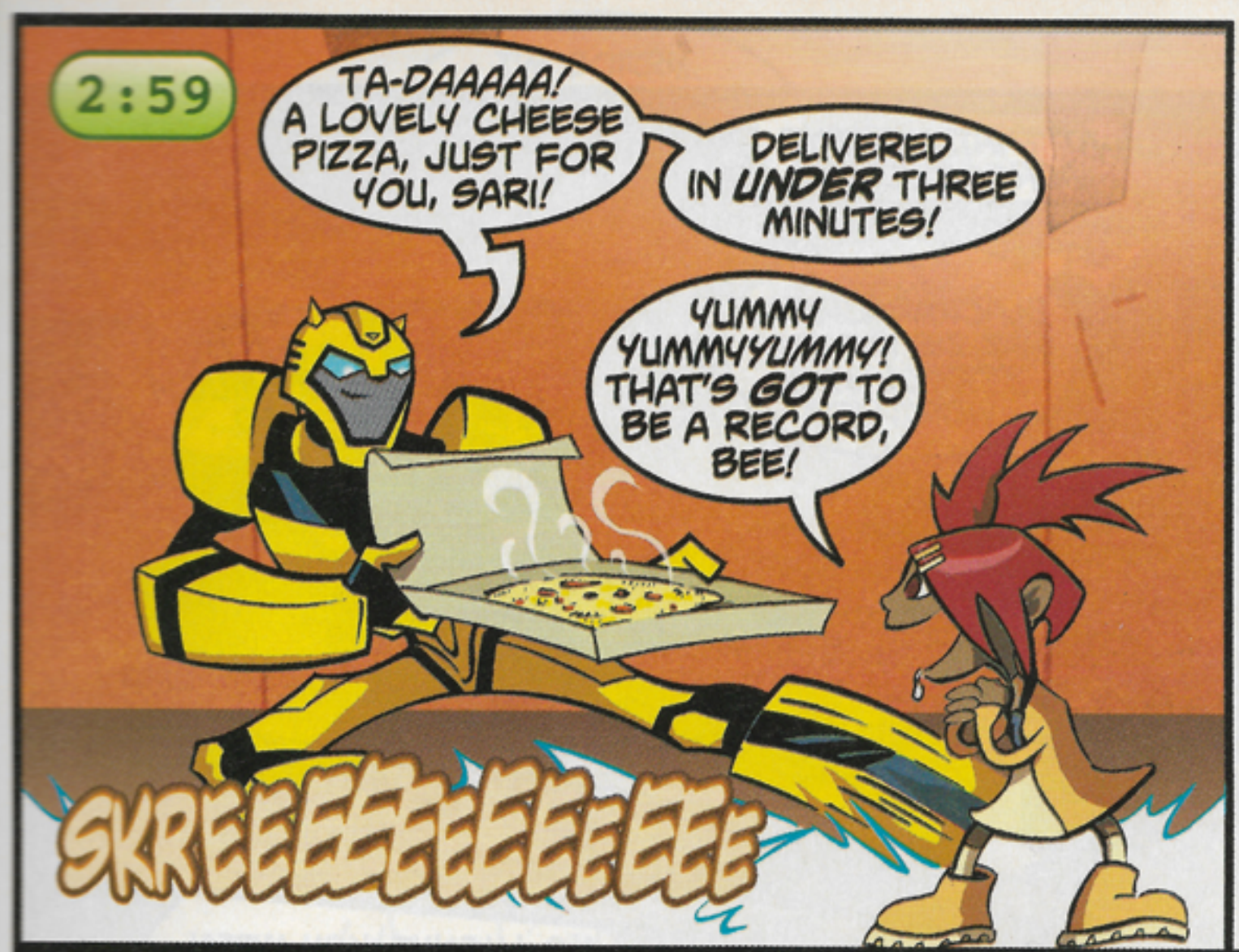
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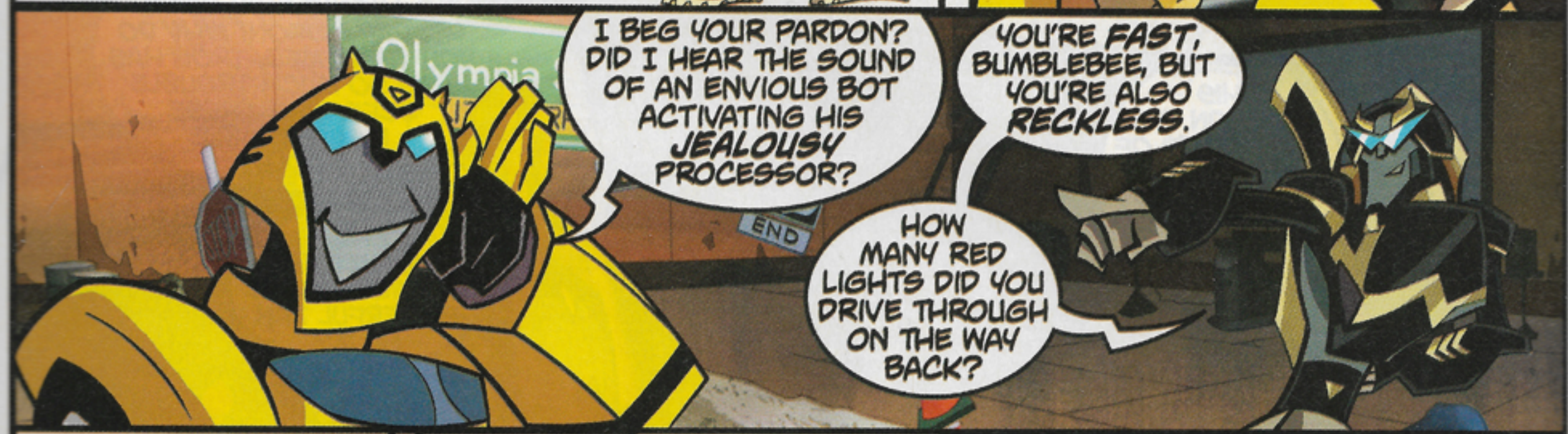
TA-DAAAAA! A LOVELY CHEESE PIZZA, JUST FOR YOU, SARI!
DELIVERED IN UNDER THREE MINUTES!
YUMMY YUMMYYUMMY! THAT'S GOT TO BE A RECORD, BEE!
SKREEEEEEEEEEEE

IT'S TRUE! I'M THE SWIFTEST THING ON FOUR WHEELS!
SOMETIMES I THINK I'M SO FAST I MIGHT OVERTAKE MYSELF!
YOU'RE CERTAINLY THE QUICKEST DANGER ON THE ROAD!


I BEG YOUR PARDON? DID I HEAR THE SOUND OF AN ENVIOUS BOT ACTIVATING HIS JEALOUSY PROCESSOR?
YOU'RE FAST, BUMBLEBEE, BUT YOU'RE ALSO RECKLESS.
HOW MANY RED LIGHTS DID YOU DRIVE THROUGH ON THE WAY BACK?
END

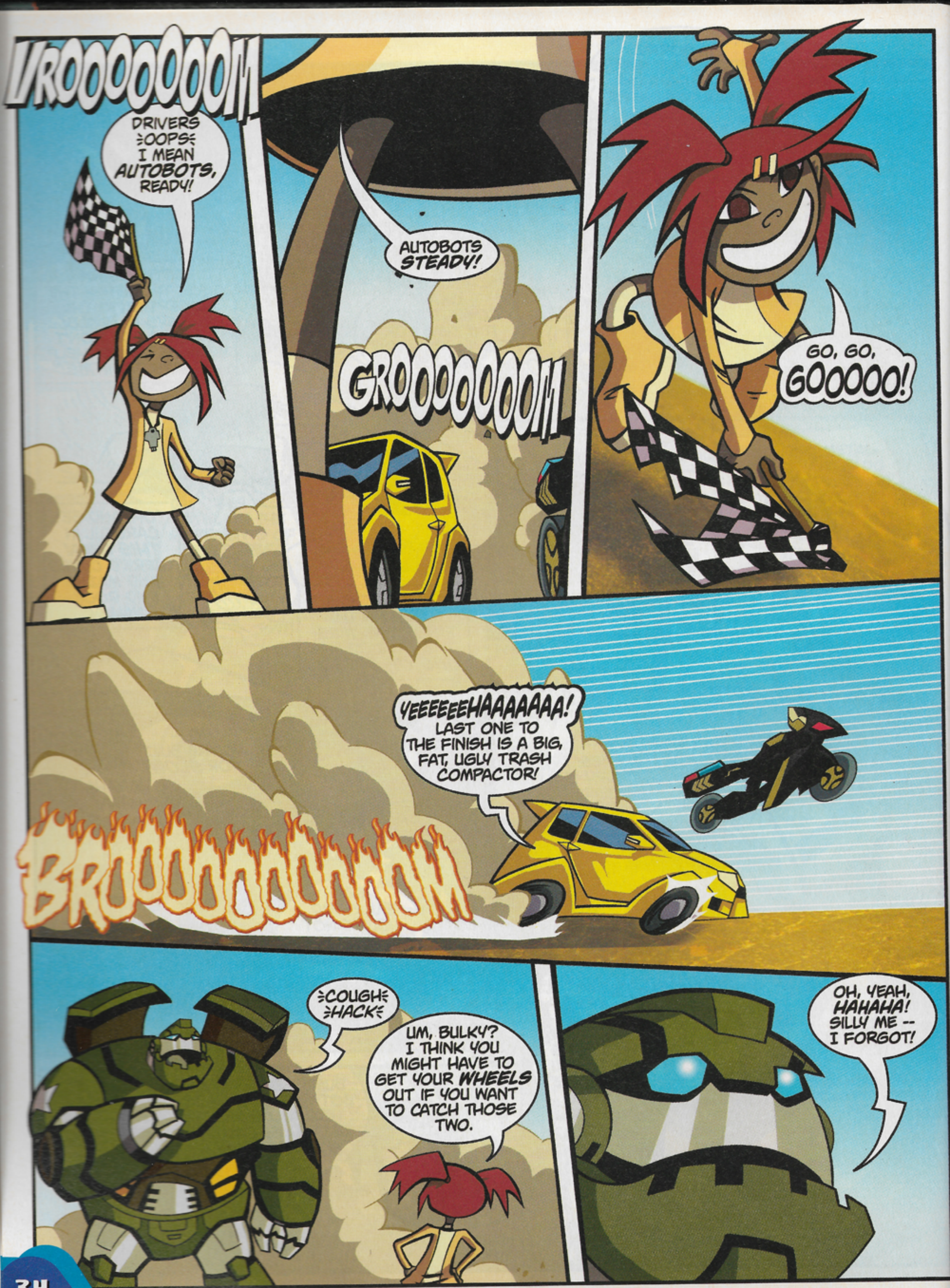
UM, LET ME THINK... I REMEMBER THE FIRST TEN, BUT THEN I LOST COUNT! THEY ALL SORT OF BLURRED INTO ONE -- BECAUSE I WAS GOING THAT QUICK!

AND THAT IS YOUR WEAK--NESS! YOU ALWAYS TAKE SHORTCUTS. IN A FAIR CONTEST EVEN I COULD LEAVE YOUR NUTS AND BOLTS STANDING.

OH, REALLY? NINJA-BOT, I WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU TRY!
RELAX, GUYS, THERE'S AN EASY WAY TO SETTLE THIS... WE'LL ORGANISE A RACE!
AND I KNOW JUST THE PLACE!
THIS IS GOING TO BE EXCELLENT!

KZZT ... GOING TO BE EXCELLENT! KZZT
INDEED IT IS!
AT THAT MOMENT, ACROSS TOWN...
ZO, BLACKARACHNIA, HAZ ZIS EVENINK ZTROLL BEEN WORTH IT?
YES, BLITZY, VERY MUCH SO...
THIS INTEL ON THE MOVEMENTS OF BUMBLEBEE WILL GIVE US THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO STRIKE!
NO, LUGNUT, YOU METAL-HEADED MORON! WHY DO YOU THINK MEGATRON HAS HAD SO MUCH TROUBLE DEFEATING THESE INSUFFERABLE FOOLS?
ERM, BECAUZE ZEY ARE MUCH MORE POWERFUL ZAN HE IZ?
I AM NOT SURE I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE PLANNING?
SHOULD WE NOT JUST SUMMON OUR LORD, THE MIGHTY MEGATRON?
IS IT BECAUSE THEY ARE SNEAKY LITTLE CHEATERS WHO DON'T LIKE A FAIR FIGHT?
NO! IT'S BECAUSE THESE ROBOTIC REJECTS ALWAYS WORK AS A TEAM!
INDIVIDUALLY, THEIR CIRCUITS ARE WEAK, BUT TOGETHER THEY ARE INCREDIBLY EFFECTIVE.
(IT'S REALLY VERY ANNOYING.)
IF WE WERE TO FIND A LONE AUTOBOT, HOWEVER... SEPARATED FROM HIS TEAM-MATES, LIKE AT THIS RACE THEY'RE PLANNING...
... WE COULD EASILY DESTROY HIM AND PRESENT A VERY GRATEFUL MEGATRON WITH HIS HEAD!
VOOOO-HOOOO! ZIS IZ GOINK TO BE FUN!

THE NEXT DAY...
I'M SORRY, PROWL, BUT THIS IS GOING TO BE EMBARRASSING!
ONLY THE PROUD 'BOT LAUGHS BEFORE HIS FALL!
OKAY, COMPETITORS! IT'S TIME FOR THE TOURNAMENT RULES!
THIS IS THE CRAZY COYOTE CANYON, ONE OF MY DAD'S TEST SITES...
4 "I'D BETTER WARN YOU GUYS, THOUGH -- THE RECEPTION IN THE VALLEYS IS REALLY BAD, SO YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET HELP OR TIPS FROM ME!"
1 "... AND THIS IS THE RACE TRACK!"
YAY!
HAPPY
VS
GRUMPY
SARI'S MAP
2 "YOU'LL BE STARTING HERE, AND SPEEDING AROUND ONE LAP OF THE CANYON."
FINISH!
3 "THE FIRST ONE TO REACH THE FINISH LINE WINS THE TITLE OF THE KING OF SPEED!"
5 "OH, AND BE CAREFUL IN THIS AREA! THERE'S CAVES AND MAZES AND ROCK-FALLS!"
OH YES! VICTORY IS ALREADY MINE!
THIS LOOKS GREAT! SARI, CAN I RACE TOO?
NO -- YOU'RE BUILT FOR SLOW!
HAHAHA HAHA!
ERM, BULKHEAD, YOU'RE NOT EXACTLY BUILT FOR SPEED.
BUMBLEBEE, IF ANY 'BOT WANTS TO RACE; HE'S ALLOWED. YOU BETTER GET TO THE STARTING LINE, BIG GUY.
ALRIGHT! IT'S TIME TO ROLL OUT!


VROOOOOOOM
DRIVERS =OOPS= I MEAN AUTOBOTS, READY!
AUTOBOTS STEADY!
GROOOOOOOM
GO, GO, GOOOOO!
YEEEEEEHAAAAAAA! LAST ONE TO THE FINISH IS A BIG, FAT, UGLY TRASH COMPACTOR!
BROOOOOOOOOOOM
=COUGH= =HACK=
UM, BULKY? I THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE TO GET YOUR WHEELS OUT IF YOU WANT TO CATCH THOSE TWO.
OH, YEAH, HAHAHA! SILLY ME -- I FORGOT!

MEANWHILE...
COOL YOUR CIRCUITRY, THREE-FACE!
IT'S TIME I SHOWED YOU BOYS A NEW TRICK!
I WILL STILL GET TO SMASH THE AUTOBOT, WON'T I?
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO STEAL MY FUN!
HERE ZEY COME! THIZ PLAN HAD BETTER VORK, ZPIDER-BOT!
LUGNUT, YOU SOUND JUST LIKE STARSCREAM WHEN YOU WHINE!
DON'T WORRY, I'M JUST GOING TO SNARE OUR PRIZE!
GOODY!
BACK IN THE RACE...
OUT OF THE WAY, SLOWCOACH! YOU'RE HOLDING UP THE REAL COMPETITORS!
BUMP
CAREFUL!
BUMBLEBEE, YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE TRYING TO MANOEUVRE WITH PRECISION AND PATIENCE!
DRIVING BACKWARDS IS JUST DANGEROUS!
YOU'RE ONLY SAYING THAT BECAUSE YOU'RE BEHIND ME!
YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT SECOND PLACE --
IT'S THE FIRST LOSER! HAHA!
IT SEEMS I WILL HAVE TO TEACH YOU TO RESPECT SPEED!
PROWL, PULLING A WHEELIE IS NOT GONNA IMPRESS ME!
GROOOOM
VROOOOOM
HEY!
CRUMP
LAAAAATERRRRRRRRR!
VOOOOM
WOAH... WAS IT SOMETHING I SAID?

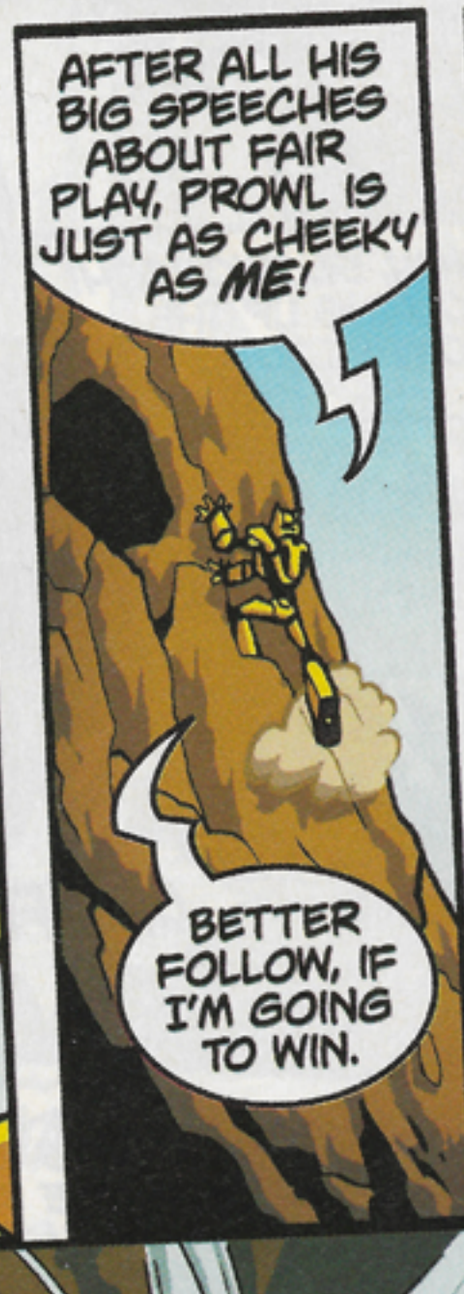
FOOLISH 'BOT! HE SHOULD KNOW BY NOW THAT RECKLESS ACTIONS LEAD TO...

...STICKY SITUATIONS!

WHAMM

SHORTLY...
HUH?!?
WHERE ON CYBERTRON HAS PROWL GONE?!

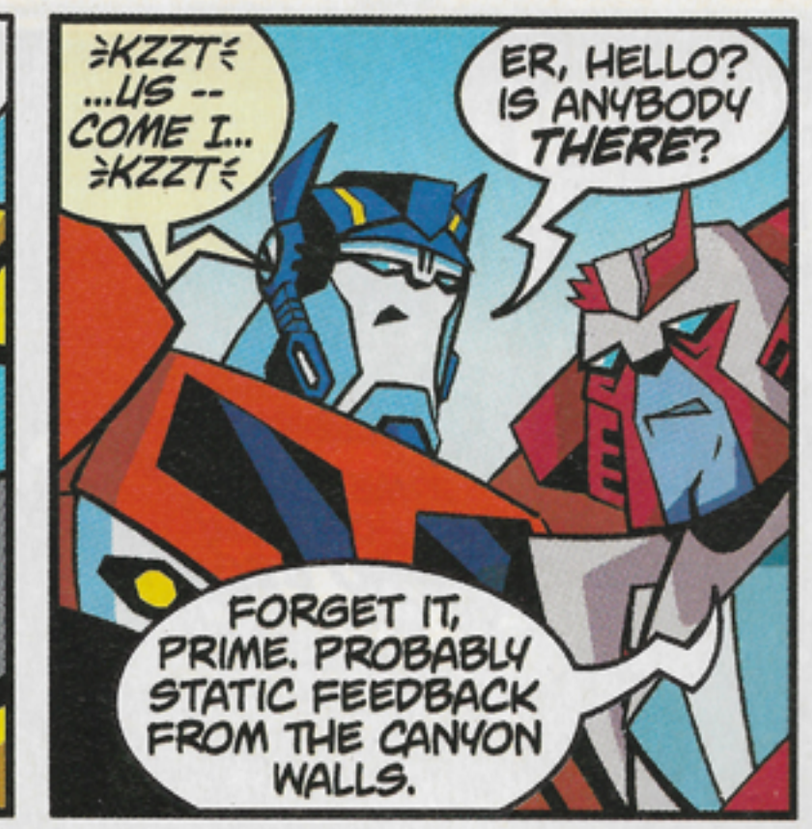
THERE'S NO WAY HE COULD BE THAT FAR AHEAD!
THAT SNEAKY MOTHERBOARD MUST'VE FOUND A SHORTCUT!


AFTER ALL HIS BIG SPEECHES ABOUT FAIR PLAY, PROWL IS JUST AS CHEEKY AS ME!
BETTER FOLLOW, IF I'M GOING TO WIN.

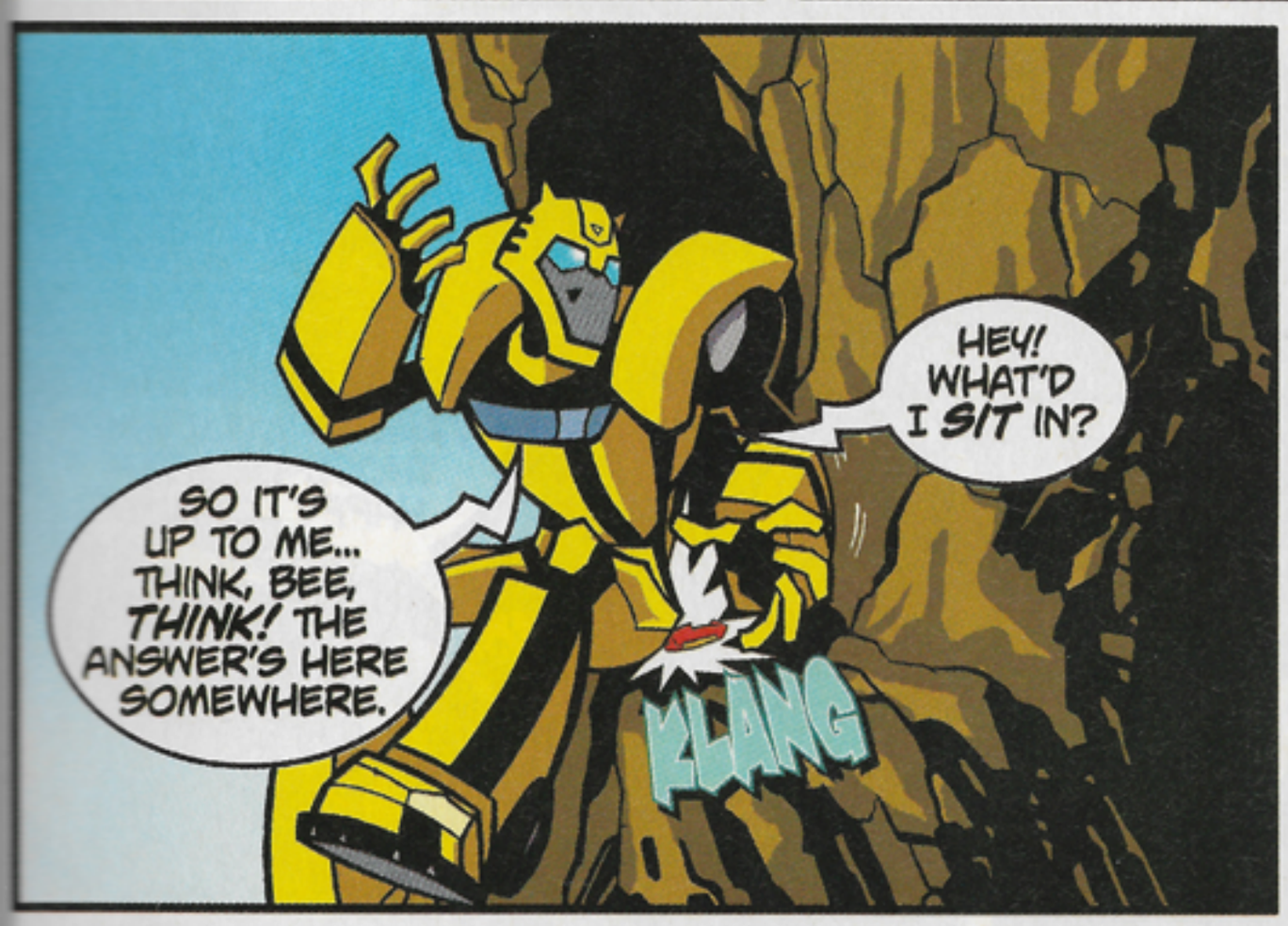
HANG ON, HE SHOULD BE LONG GONE -- SO WHAT'S THAT NOISE?

HAR HAR! HE LOOKZ JUZT LIKE A GIANT PIÑATA!
DOES THAT MEAN I CAN SMASH HIM WITH A STICK?
BE MY GUEST, LUGGY! BUT DON'T EXPECT ANY SWEETS TO FALL OUT!
BLACKARACHNIA... LUGNUT... AND BLITZWING! THIS IS BAD!

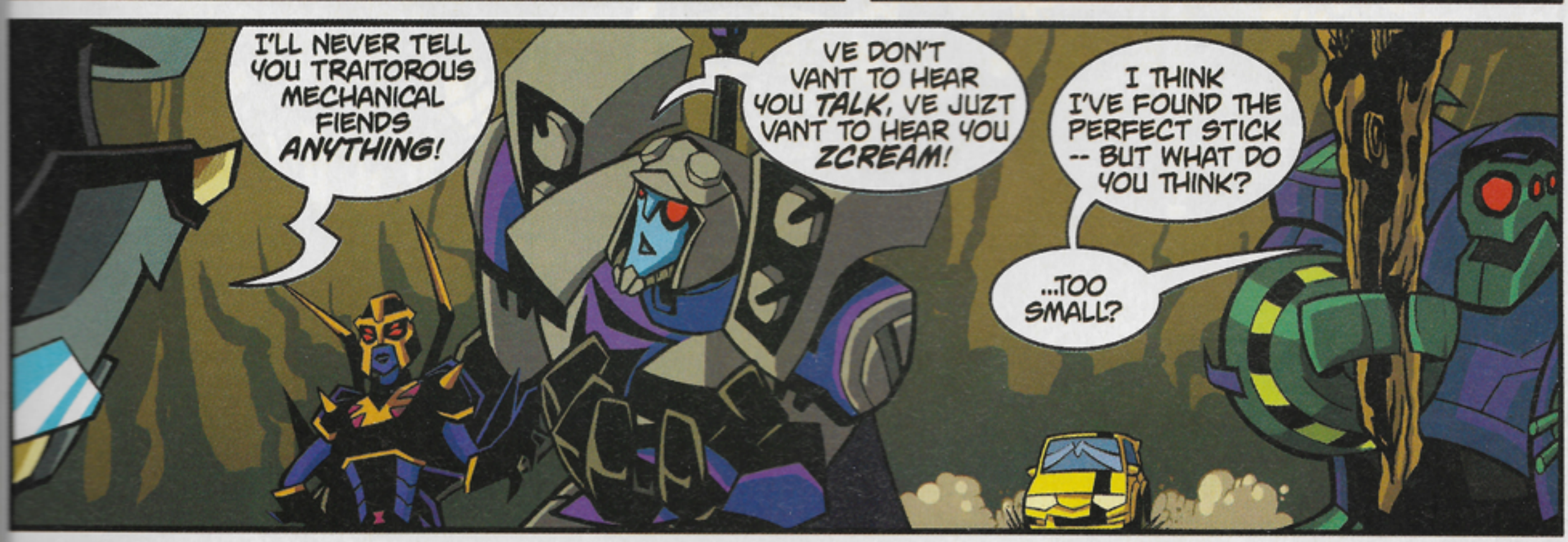
I DON'T HAVE THE PROGRAMMING TO BEAT THESE GUYS ON MY OWN! OPTIMUS! COME IN!

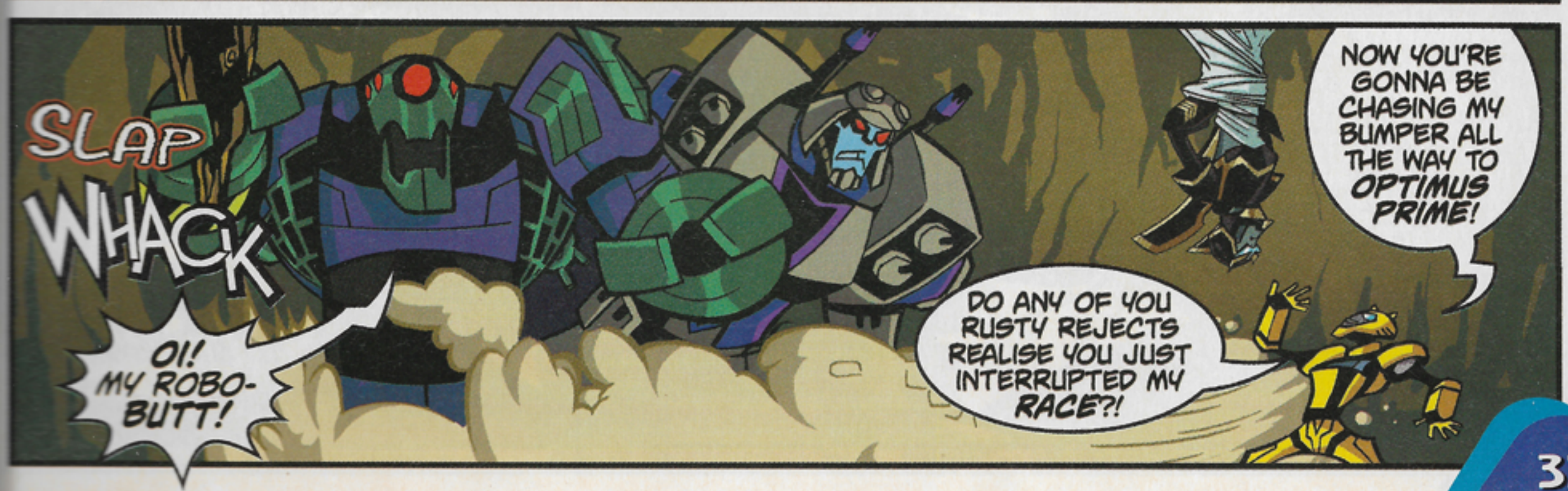

≥KZZT≤ ...US -- COME I... ≥KZZT≤
ER, HELLO? IS ANYBODY THERE?
FORGET IT, PRIME. PROBABLY STATIC FEEDBACK FROM THE CANYON WALLS.

≥KZZT≤ ...LO? IS ANYB... ≥KZZZT≤
WINGNUTS! SARI SAID THESE CANYONS HAD BAD RECEPTION!


HEY! WHAT'D I SIT IN?
SO IT'S UP TO ME... THINK, BEE, THINK! THE ANSWER'S HERE SOMEWHERE.
KLANG

THIS IS A LOCATOR BEACON! NO WONDER THE DECEPTICONS KNEW WHERE WE WERE...
BUT THEY'VE JUST GIVEN ME A BETTER IDEA!


I'LL NEVER TELL YOU TRAITOROUS MECHANICAL FIENDS ANYTHING!
VE DON'T VANT TO HEAR YOU TALK, VE JUZT VANT TO HEAR YOU ZCREAM!
I THINK I'VE FOUND THE PERFECT STICK -- BUT WHAT DO YOU THINK?
...TOO SMALL?


SLAP
WHACK
OI! MY ROBO-BUTT!
DO ANY OF YOU RUSTY REJECTS REALISE YOU JUST INTERRUPTED MY RACE?!
NOW YOU'RE GONNA BE CHASING MY BUMPER ALL THE WAY TO OPTIMUS PRIME!

NO! THIS YELLOW AND BLACK IDIOT COULD SPOIL EVERYTHING!

USE THE TRANSMITTER AND STOP HIM BEFORE HE WARNS THE OTHERS!

BOOOOM

COME BACK, TINY DANCER! ZERE IS NO EZCAPE! VE CAN TRACK YOUR EVERY MOVE!

THUMP

I'VE GOT TO LEAD THEM AWAY FROM PROWL!

KRAKOOM

LUCKY I HAD A GOOD LOOK AT SARI'S MAP -- THIS AREA IS PRACTICALLY A MAZE! WOULDN'T WANT TO GET LOST IN HERE...

HEHEHE!

IN NO TIME...

THE ZIGNAL ZAYZ HE IS CLOZE!

BLITZWING, I THINK WE'VE BEEN DOWN THIS PATH ALREADY!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND, LUGNUT! HE IZ RIGHT HERE!

CAN WE FIND THE EXIT SOON? I'M SCARED OF THE DARK!

THAT SHOULD KEEP THOSE TRIGGER-HAPPY LOONIES BUSY!

RHHHHHP

>SHHH!< MAYBE LATER, BUT FOR NOW WE NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE BEFORE --

BUMBLEBEE, THANK THE ALLSPARK YOU FOUND ME!

WHAT? THEY'RE HERE! THEY'RE TRYING TO GET AWAY!

BUUUUM
PROWL, PLEASE CAN WE HANDLE THIS MY WAY?!
THERE'S A TIME AND PLACE FOR RECKLESS, BUMBLEBEE -- AND THAT TIME IS NOW!
GOOD -- THEN TRANSFORM! WE'RE GOING UP THERE!
FOOLS! THEY'VE GIVEN US AN EASY TARGET!
THOOOOM
THOOOOM
THOOOOM
LET YOUR MEGA-BOMBS FLY, LUGNUT!
URROOOOOOOM
HOLD ON TIGHT! THIS MIGHT NOT WORK!
THAT'S NOT VERY REASSURING!
KRI-KOOOOOOM
OOOOH DEAR...

CRUMMMMBLE
AAAGH!
AKKKK!
YOU DID IT, BUMBLEBEE! YOUR CRAZY SCHEME ACTUALLY SAVED US!
OH YEAH! WHICH LEAVES ONLY ONE THING LEFT TO DO...
RACE!!
AND SO...
VROOOOOOm
I'M THE GREATEST! I'M THE BEST!
I'M THE--
--ONLY ONE HERE! WHERE IS EVERY-BODY?
AH, THERE YOU ARE, BUMBLEBEE! WE THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER SHOW UP!
ANY WORDS FOR THE VICTOR?
HEY, GUESS WHAT, BUDDY? TURNS OUT I'M THE FASTEST MACHINE IN NEW DETROIT!
PRETTY INCREDIBLE DAY, HUH?
HAHA! YOU SAID IT, BULKY!
ELSEWHERE...
UGH, THIZ IZ TERRIBLE! IT VILL TAKE ME VEEKZ TO GET ZE DUZT OUT OF MY TAILPIPE!
SHOVE A MUFFLER IN IT, BLITZWING!
I'M TRYING TO WORK OUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE TRANSMITTER. IT'S STILL SAYING THOSE DO-GOODERS ARE RIGHT...
...HERE! NOOOOO!
DID I DO SOMETHING WRONG?
THE END